

The American Association for Thoracic Surgery

AATS/ACCF Heart Valve Summit 2013: Medical, Surgical, and Interventional Decision Making

September 26-28, 2013
Chicago Marriott Downtown Magnificent Mile
Chicago, IL, USA

AATS Focus on Thoracic Surgery: Esophageal Disease

November 15-16, 2013
Boston Marriott Copley Place
Boston, MA, USA

AATS Awards Applications

Now Available at www.aats.org

July 2013 Deadlines

Third John H. Gibbon Jr. Research Scholarship 2014-2016 provides an opportunity for research, training, and experience for North American surgeons committed to pursuing an academic career in cardiothoracic surgery.

- Research program must be undertaken within the first three years after completion of an approved North American cardiothoracic residency.
- Applications for the scholarship must be submitted during the candidate's first two years in an academic position.
- The scholarship will begin July 1, 2014, and conclude on July 1, 2016.
- The Scholarship provides an annual stipend of \$80,000 per year paid to the host institution for direct salary support and related research expenses.

Deadline: July 1, 2013

Evarts A. Graham Memorial Traveling Fellowship, 2014-2015 grants support for training of international surgeons who have been regarded as having the potential for later international thoracic surgical leadership.

- Candidate must be a non-North American who plans a cardiothoracic surgery training program in a North American center and who has not had extensive (exceeding a total of six months in duration) clinical training in North America prior to submitting an application.
- Candidate should have completed his/her formal training in general surgery and in thoracic and cardiovascular surgery, but should not have reached a senior position.
- The Fellowship provides a stipend of \$75,000 US, a major portion of which is intended for living and travel expenses incurred when visiting other medical centers.

Deadline: July 1, 2013

AATS Critical Care Scholarship provides an opportunity for cardiothoracic surgery residents to attend the 2013 CVT Critical Care conference on October 10-12, 2013, in Washington, DC

- Residents must be attending an ACGME accredited cardiothoracic surgical training program in the United States or RCPSC accredited cardiothoracic surgical residency program in Canada.
- The AATS will provide a stipend of \$500 to the resident's institution to help offset the cost of travel and hotel accommodations.
- Recipients will receive complimentary registration to the Critical Care Conference.
- Participation is limited to one resident per institution and up to 75 recipients will be selected for this award on a first come first served basis.

Deadline: August 30, 2013

The Western Thoracic Surgical Association

WTSA 39th Annual Meeting

June 26-29, 2013
The Coeur d'Alene
Coeur d'Alene, Idaho

Visit the WTSA Web site at www.westernthoracic.org and:

- View the scientific and social programs;
- Register before the Friday, May 17, 2013, Early Bird deadline and avoid a \$100 increase in most registration fees;

- Reserve your hotel room before the Monday, May 27, 2013, housing deadline (although it is possible the block of rooms—or specific room types—set aside for the Western will fill before this cut-off date, so you are strongly encouraged to **make your hotel reservations as soon as possible**); and
- Get complete details on venue activities and local attractions.

SCIENTIFIC HIGHLIGHTS

Thursday, June 27, 2013

Presidential Address

Winning the HITECH Challenge
John C. Chen, Honolulu, Hawaii